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February 3, 2016

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

We are writing to respectfully request your support in retaining Dr. Charles Lester as the Executive Director of the California Coastal Commission.

The Coastal Commission and the California Coastal Act of 1976 were established with the goal to protect and enhance California's coastline and ocean. Since his appointment, Dr. Lester has diligently provided the Commission with leadership that advances these environmental goals. Over the past two years, Dr. Lester has worked to ensure public access to beaches and aided beach communities in setting, adopting, and implementing local coastal and sea-level-rise plans. Moreover, safeguarding these goals is particularly important given the devastating consequences of pollution, sea level rise, industrialization, ocean acidification, and development.


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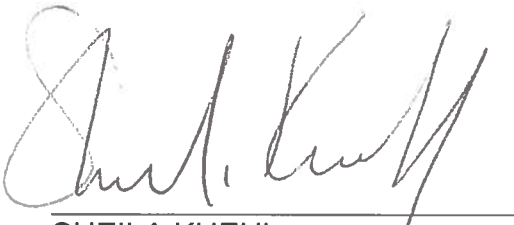
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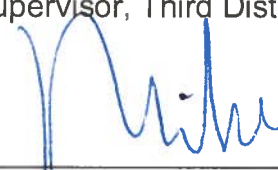
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The Honorable Toni G. Atkins
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Atkins:

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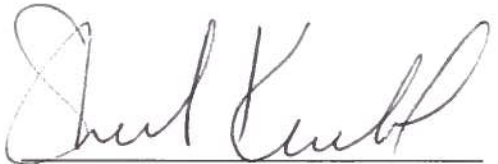
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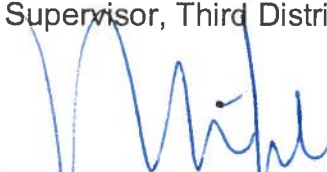
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The Honorable Anthony Rendon
Speaker Elect of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 5136
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Rendon:

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The Honorable Kevin de León
President Pro Tempore of the Senate
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator de León:

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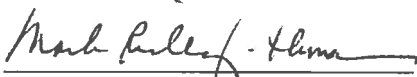
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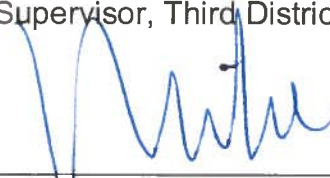
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